

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of)
 TAMIYA et al.)
 Application Number: To Be Assigned)
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 For: ABSORBANCE READING APPARATUS, ABSORBANCE)
 READING APPARATUS CONTROL METHOD, AND)
 ABSORBANCE CALCULATION)
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Honorable Assistant Commissioner
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 Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of the PCT application PCT/JP2003/003528, filed March 24, 2003.

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